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INDEPENDENT SERVICE PROVIDERS

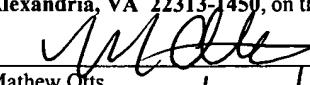
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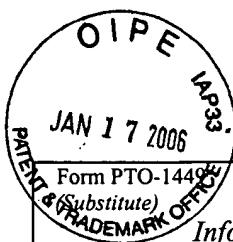
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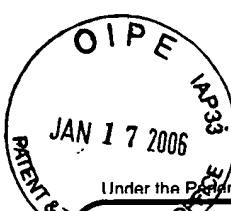
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Include author (if any), title, publisher and place of publication, date and pertinent pages)

		"LSF Batch User's Guide," XP-002336279, 6 th ed., Platform Computing Corporation (August 1998).

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEESFee Description

Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent

<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
50	25

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200	100
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Multiple dependent claims

360	180
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<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
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